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SUBJECT: GLEANINGS FROM ANGOLA

1. IN CONVERSATION DECEMBER 1, QUAI DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA GEORGY TOLD US ABOUT THE IMPRESSIONS A FRENCH JOURNALIST RECEIVED WHILE RECENTLY FILMING A PROGRAM ON ANGOLA FOR FRENCH TELEVISION AND WHICH HE RECOUNTED TO THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO ZAMBIA. THE JOURNALIST WAS ABLE TO TRAVEL WIDELY WITHIN THE COUNTRY, AT LEAST TO IMPORTANT POPULATION CENTERS, AND WAS STRUCK BY THE CUBAN PRESENCE WHEREVER HE TRAVELED. IT WAS CLEAR THAT IN MANY AREAS FIGHTING WAS CONTINUING BETWEEN UNITA GUERRILLAS AND THE CUBANS AND THAT THE FORMER MOVE FREELY THROUGH THE BUSH. THE JOURNALIST CONCLUDED THAT THE ANGOLAN POPULATION WAS AWARE THAT THE LUANDA GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED

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MUCH OF THE COUNTRY THANKS ONLY TO SOVIET ASSISTANCE

AND CUBAN FORCES, FELT NO AFFINITY TO THE CUBAN TROOPS
DESPITE THEIR COMMON BLACKNESS, AND WAS BEGINNING TO
CHAFE UNDER THE GROWING SENTIMENT THAT ANGOLA WAS UNDER
AN ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

2. GEORGE DESCRIBED THE JOURNALIST AS EXPERIENCED AND
RELIABLE AND SAID THAT THE QUAI IS IN GENERAL AGREE-
MENT WITH HIS IMPRESSIONS. HE THOUGHT THAT AFTER TWO
YEARS OF CUBAN "OCCUPATION," THE SITUATION MIGHT COME
TO A HEAD.
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